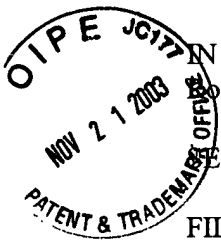


PATENT
Docket No.: 23742-011

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



IN RE APPLICATION OF:
Rodney Stuart HOWARD

SERIAL NO.: 10/617,214

FILED: July 11, 2003

Group Art Unit: 3681

Examiner: *to be assigned*

FOR: DRIVE DISCONNECT DEVICE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

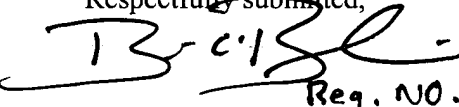
1. Response to Notice to File Corrected Application Papers;
2. Submission of Substitute Drawings (with 3 pages of substitute drawings attached);
3. Copy of Notice to File Corrected Application Papers;
4. Request for Corrected Filing Receipt; and
5. Return postcard.

It is believed that no fees are due. However, if this determination has been made in error, please charge any fees that may be due to our Deposit Account 50-0311, Reference No. 23742-011. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed for that purpose

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at (703) 464-4800.

Date: November 21, 2003

Respectfully submitted,


Reg. NO. 47,429

for: James G. Gatto, Reg. No. 32,694
Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris,
Glovsky and Popeo, P.C.
12010 Sunset Hills Road, Suite 900
Reston, Virginia 20190
(703) 464-4800

Customer No. 29315

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

RECEIVED APPLICATION OF:
Rodney Stuart HOWARD

SERIAL NO.: 10/617,214

Group Art Unit: 3681

FILED: July 11, 2003

Examiner: *To be assigned*

FOR: DRIVE DISCONNECT DEVICE

Mail Stop Missing Parts
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

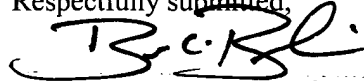
SUBMISSION OF SUBSTITUTE DRAWINGS

Dear Sir:

Submitted herewith are three (3) pages of substitute drawings in the above-identified Patent Application. The drawings are now in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.84 and 37 C.F.R. 1.121.

Date: November 21, 2003

Respectfully submitted,



for : Reg. NO. 47,429
James G. Gatto, Registration No. 32,694
Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris,
Glovsky and Popeo, P.C.
12010 Sunset Hills Road, Suite 900
Reston, Virginia 20190
(703) 464-4800

Customer No. 29315

This Page Is Inserted by IFW Operations
and is not a part of the Official Record

BEST AVAILABLE IMAGES

Defective images within this document are accurate representations of the original documents submitted by the applicant.

Defects in the images may include (but are not limited to):

- BLACK BORDERS
- TEXT CUT OFF AT TOP, BOTTOM OR SIDES
- FADED TEXT
- ILLEGIBLE TEXT
- SKEWED/SLANTED IMAGES
- COLORED PHOTOS
- BLACK OR VERY BLACK AND WHITE DARK PHOTOS
- GRAY SCALE DOCUMENTS

IMAGES ARE BEST AVAILABLE COPY.

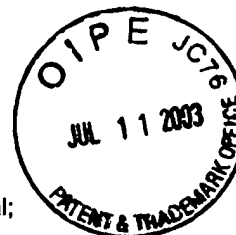
**As rescanning documents *will not* correct images,
please do not report the images to the
Image Problem Mailbox.**

Atty Docket N : 23742-011

Inventor: **Rodney Stuart HOWARD**

Serial No.: *To be assigned* Filing Date: *Herewith*

Title: **DRIVE DISCONNECT DEVICE**



Documents Filed:

1. New Utility Patent Application Transmittal;
2. Application Data Sheet;
3. 13 pgs. Specification (including
10 pages of Specification before the Claims,
2 pages Claims,
1 page Abstract);
4. 3 pages informal drawings (Figs. 1-3);
5. Executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney for
Patent Application;
6. Recordation Form Cover Sheet with executed Assignment
attached;
7. Submission of Priority Document with certified copy of
foreign application attached; and
8. Check No. 2241 in the amount of \$790.00

VIA HAND DELIVERY

Sender's Initials: JGG/kdo

Date: July 11, 2003

Atty Docket No.: 23742-011

Inventor: **Rodney Stuart HOWARD**

Serial No.: *To be assigned* Filing Date: *Herewith*

Title: **DRIVE DISCONNECT DEVICE**

17858 U.S. PTO
10/617214



Documents Filed:

1. New Utility Patent Application Transmittal;
2. Application Data Sheet;
3. 13 pgs. Specification (including
10 pages of Specification before the Claims,
2 pages Claims,
1 page Abstract);
4. 3 pages informal drawings (Figs. 1-3);
5. Executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney for
Patent Application;
6. Recordation Form Cover Sheet with executed Assignment
attached;
7. Submission of Priority Document with certified copy of
foreign application attached; and
8. Check No. 2241 in the amount of \$790.00

VIA HAND DELIVERY

Sender's Initials: JGG/kdo

Dat : July 11, 2003